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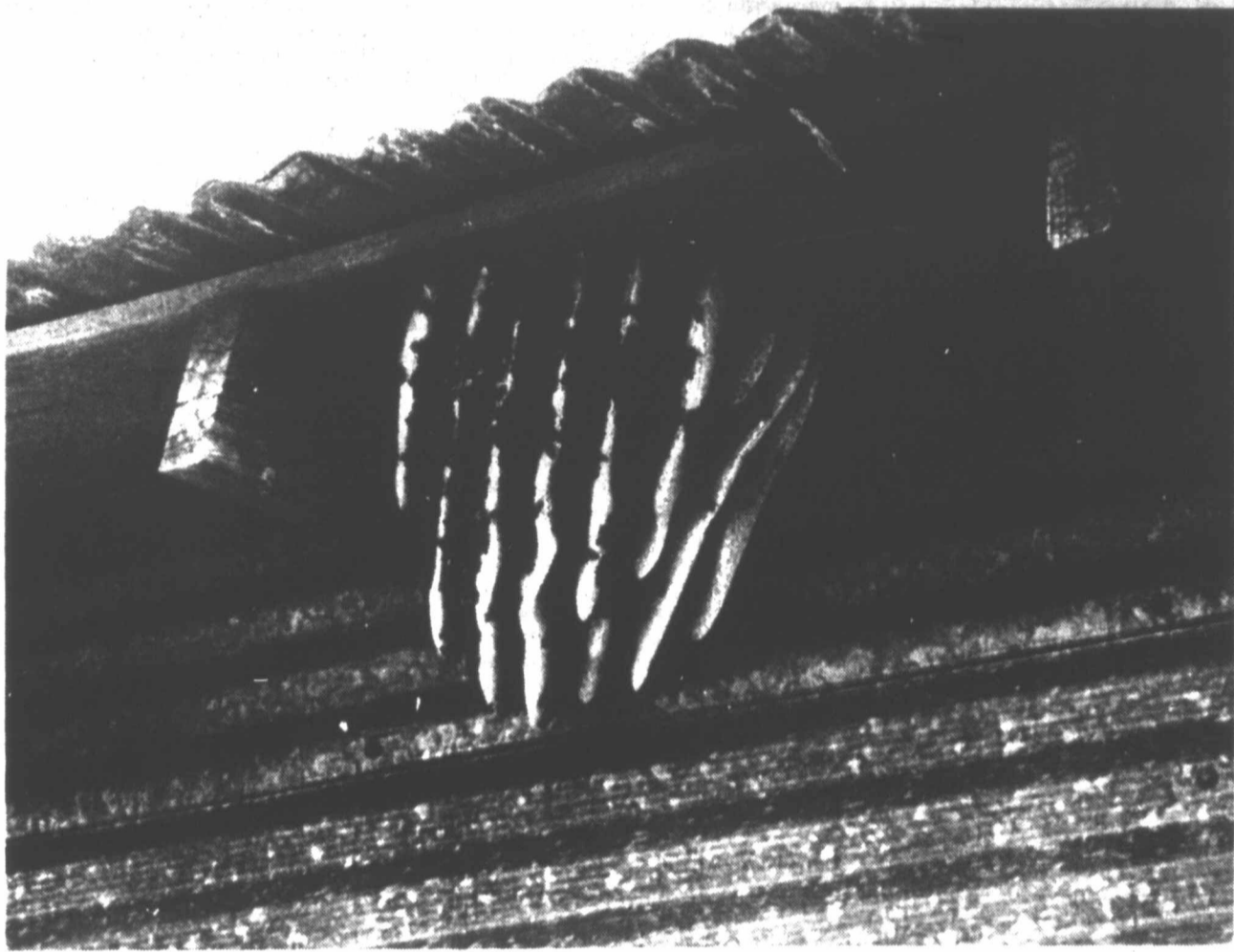
THURSDAY

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Ask Us



BEE HIVE — The heat has slowed things in the city but things are "buzzing" out at C.W. Addison's farm south west of town. This beehive was discovered by Spencer Smith, Addison's hired hand, earlier this week attached to the Addison

barn. "Every morning the hive disappears, and it's just a ball of bees," said Addison. The hive measures approximately 12 by 18 inches. (SDN Staff Photo)

Local WIC officials coping with prospect of more cuts

From local, wire reports
Local WIC officials are coping with the possibility of more cutbacks while federal lawmakers scramble to find funds for the nutrition program.
Texas needs \$17.5 million to maintain its current level of service to about 342,000 women and children, said Debra Stabeno, director of the Texas Department

of Health's WIC program. Otherwise, the state will begin cutting 27,000 participants next week even though their diets are inadequate, she said.
State directors of the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children, known as WIC, warned earlier this week that food cost increases and rebate reductions will force

240,000 participants from the program nationwide by October unless an additional \$72 million is spent.
WIC food costs have increased 9.8 percent in Texas during the current fiscal year, Ms. Stabeno said. The USDA estimated only a 4.5 percent increase.
Locally, officials are taking it (see WIC, page 8)

1991 budget topic for Cogdell board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Administrator Tom Hochwalt is expected to seek approval for a 1991 budget which reflects a 54 percent reduction in ad valorem taxes in today's 6:30 p.m. board meeting.
The 1991 budget, physician recruiting strategy and \$6,000 in expenses are three major topics before the hospital's board of managers. Also on the agenda will be a request for approval of medical staff privileges for emergency room physicians, the quality assurance and hazardous materials report, the monthly financial report and approval of the minutes of past meetings.
Hochwalt will present a budget which calls for \$225,000 in ad valorem taxes — a decrease of \$263,000, or 54 percent from 1990, during which the hospital received \$488,000.

Also on the agenda is a request for \$3,000 to purchase a break power system for the telephone system. A break power system would give the hospital the capability of maintaining the phone system and beeper system for 45 minutes in the event of a loss of electrical power.
Following the regular meeting, the board will adjourn to a Foundation meeting to seek approval to purchase an examination table for approximately \$3,000.

Inmate search still underway

A full week after a Price Daniel inmate left the Snyder unit in a furniture van, prison officials are still optimistic that he will be apprehended.

Warden Leslie Woods said Thursday that the search continues around-the-clock. "He'll eventually show up, they always do."

Travis Dale Gray is believed to have left the Snyder unit about 1:15 p.m. last Wednesday in a furniture truck. Gray, 31, cut his way out of the truck when it stopped in Abilene, and Gray's white prison shirt was left inside the van.

Gray is from Big Spring and was serving a 40-year sentence for the strangulation-drowning death of his wife, Tammy, in 1988.

Gray's current wife and other relatives live in Big Spring, and much of the manhunt has centered in Howard County.

The \$225,000 figure represents 2.9 percent of the hospital's expected \$7.85 million in operating expenses for 1991.

The board will also hear a request to extend a contract for family practitioner recruitment with Tyler and Company for 90 days, for \$4,500.

An item which had been on the agenda — a request for a one-time "finder's fee" for local medical staff personnel who are successful in recruiting a family practitioner to Snyder — has been omitted. Hochwalt said Wednesday that local medical personnel have expressed a willingness to help with recruiting without that incentive.



HAVING A SALE — It's garage sale time at its peak and Snyder is having its share. Some guidelines for holding a successful sale are listed in the article at left. (Howard Bigham Photo)

Palette club ready for annual art show

Snyder Palette Club will again put on its annual July 4th Art Show at Towle Park Barn during the city's Fourth of July Celebration.

The show is open to all artists in Scurry County and the surrounding area. Separate divisions will be held for paintings and photography. Divisions are open for professionals, teachers, amateurs and students through high school age.
The entry fee is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for students.
A Best-in-Show rosette and a \$10 cash award are offered in each division. Ribbons for first through third places and honorable mention are also being awarded.

Snyder Palette Club allows artists to price their works for sale, with 10 percent of the proceeds to go to the club.
Entries should be delivered to the show between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Monday, July 2.
The show will be open to the

public from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. on Tuesday and from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

For more information, contact Nena Mitchell at 573-6120 or LaVern Lee at 573-2754.

Fourth of July activities begin on Tuesday when arts and crafts and food activity booths open at the park. A Tae Kwon Do demonstration will be held at 7 p.m.

Activities on the 4th begin with the third annual Prayer Breakfast starting at 8 a.m. in the county coliseum. This follows with such traditional events as a children's fishing rodeo, parade and performances by various bands and other entertainers, and culminates with a fireworks show at dark.

Washer and horseshoe pitching contests, a hula hoop contest and a limbo contest will be held. Other activities will be going on in the park and booths will be offering their wares and food items throughout the day.

Q—Will the Towle Park pool be open on July 4 this year?

A—Yes. The pool will open at 1 p.m. and will remain open until dark.

In Brief

Raging fires

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — A firestorm started by an arsonist destroyed 280 homes in this coastal community, officials said today. Dozens more buildings were burned by windblown fires elsewhere in Southern California.

Thousands of acres were burning out of control today. More than 600 firefighters battled the blazes overnight, and twice as many were expected later in the day, said U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Susan Mockenhaupt.

Hubble trouble

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Hubble Space Telescope is crippled by a focusing flaw that may have been caused by an undetected "prescription" error during the manufacture of polished mirrors aboard the \$1.5 billion craft.

NASA's announcement of the problem Wednesday sent a shudder of disappointment through an astronomy community that has waited years for what were expected to be unprecedented views of the universe from the orbiting telescope.

The space agency said the focusing problem in the Hubble mirrors cannot be fixed from the ground and at least two of the five instruments aboard the spacecraft will be virtually useless until a repair mission is flown by the space shuttle.

Klan rally set

HICO, Texas (AP) — As many as 3,000 Ku Klux Klan members are expected to attend a daylong rally Saturday in this Hamilton County town, a Klan organizer says.

Klansman Michael Lowe of Waco said Wednesday that the event started when about 100 members planned a picnic in the area. But it has ballooned into a rally that will draw Klan members from throughout the Southwest, he said.

If the turnout is as high as is predicted, the Klan members will outnumber the 1,600 residents of the Hamilton County town about 120 miles southeast of Abilene.

Local

Library

Scurry County Library will hold a "Clue Tournament" on Thursday, July 5, at 10 a.m. for children who have recently completed the fourth, fifth or sixth grade.

Pre-registration is required by July 3. Contact the library for more information.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 101 degrees; low, 76 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 76 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1990 to date, 10.75 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low in the lower 70s. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph. Friday, fair and continued hot. High around 100. Southeast wind 10 to 20 mph.

Need a few extra bucks?...

Garage sales fun, profitable

It's a summer pastime for many people, a kind of weekend odyssey. Some do it for profit, others for hobby, and some possibly out of habit.

Garage sales.
It's an All-American kind of activity. It's fun to browse, fun to buy, and it's a way to meet interesting people.

And for those holding the garage sale, it's a quick way to make some "mad money" — tax free.

Depending on what you have to offer, how you present your saleable items, and the weather, of course, you could bring in several hundred dollars for a limited amount of work. There's plenty of truth to that old saying, "One person's trash is another's treasure."

Snyder has no ordinance controlling garage sales. State law is stringent enough. According to the state comptroller's office, a person may have only two garage sales a year without having to file for a tax permit. Those sales are limited to single-day sales, or one two-day sale a year.

Local officials admit that garage sales are not routinely monitored. In cases where someone has filed a complaint, or where it is obvious that someone is operating a garage "store" instead of a sale, then steps will be taken to inform the involved parties of the law.

Local officials urge caution in use of holiday fireworks

While shooting of fireworks outside the city limits doesn't violate any laws — local fire and law enforcement officials are urging caution and common sense.

Hot, dry conditions make the situation even more severe this year, according to Snyder Fire Chief Terry Don McDowell. "If it doesn't rain, it's going to get worse."

Setting off fireworks inside the city limits is a violation of city ordinances, and persons in violation could be subject to fines.

A growing trend are city-wide garage sales, where a community designates a certain day and anyone who wishes to participate holds a garage sale. City-wide sales attract a larger number of potential purchasers, including many from out of town, who (see SALES, page 8)

While fireworks are legal outside the city, District Attorney Ernie Armstrong said caution should be used because negligence in using fireworks could result in property damage that could lead to the filing of reckless conduct charges, a Class C misdemeanor. Reckless conduct is defined in the Texas penal code as any action that results in damage.

Persons shooting fireworks should also be aware of private property as residents could possibly file trespassing charges (see CAUTION, page 8)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A man who hates yard work is known as an abhorticulturist."

It doesn't take long to realize that kids—or at least things that appeal to kids—are big business. Despite poor review by critics, the movie Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles has set records for gross income at theatre box offices.

When the movie was first released in April, income for the first month was already approaching \$100 million. From an art point of view, the critics hate it, but the bankers love it.

A recent edition of Nation's Business noted that corporations also want to take advantage of the kids market.

A Texas company heralds the newborn by producing a milk chocolate birth announcement. The San Antonio firm calls it Baby Bars.

The announcement is a 2.25-ounce chocolate and almond candy wrapped with pink or blue paper that pictures an infant sleeping. On the back is a fill-in-the-blank announcement.

An Atlanta company wants to clean up by

making it easier for mom to clean up. It is marketing Kiddie Katch, a floor mat designed to go under children's chairs at mealtime.

The mat is portable and disposable and will protect floors from spills and messes. The mat is said to have an attractive design to which kids may add their own personal touches.

Another company has older children in mind. The firm has published a new book entitled, "Capitalism for Kids: Growing Up To Be Your Own Boss."

The book teaches kids how to make money, presented in free-market language that is easy to understand. The author says children wanting to operate the traditional lemonade stand must consider all expenses—the cost of raw materials such as lemon, sugar, water and ice plus capital equipment like pitchers and cups. Also one must consider rent for the stand as well as electricity for making ice.

And don't forget the Infernal Revenue Service will want its cut.

Heat burning up South Texas crops

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — It's too late to hope for rain in the unirrigated South Texas fields withering from drought and a relentless heat wave.

said Ted Proske, area director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's cotton classing office in Harlingen.

Yields are way down in unirrigated "dry-land" cotton. Withered, brown corn stalks barely stand up. Grain sorghum, used for cattle feed, is falling down in some fields from the drought-induced charcoal stalk rot disease.

"The dry land, it's just almost

burned up," said Dennis Traweck, co-owner of ST Custom Farms, a grain harvesting contractor working Wednesday near Rio Hondo in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Drought and heat, aggravated by strong winds, have reduced some sorghum crops to one-fourth of the yields they should bring, Traweck said. In many unirrigated corn fields, there is nothing at all to harvest, he added.

"Any rain we get now would do more harm than good," said Larry Bates, assistant manager of Harlingen Valley Compress Co., which warehouses cotton and prepares it for shipment.

Rain would not help sorghum and corn now, either. "They're singing a sad song right now, the growers," Bates said.

Dollar estimates were not yet available, but losses are expected to run into tens of millions of dollars, officials said.

Irrigated crops, however, appear to be doing well.

About half the estimated 350,000 acres each of cotton and sorghum are planted in fields without irrigation in the Valley. Another approximately 100,000 acres of corn were planted in the Valley, primarily in unirrigated

fields. Even less is irrigated away from the Rio Grande.

"In Duval County, about 90 percent of the crops are gone," said George Gonzalez, USDA soil conservation specialist for the county. "It's all burned up."

Neighboring Jim Wells, Jim Hogg and Webb counties weren't much better, Gonzalez said Wednesday.

Most of South Texas is suffering from a drought in which about half the normal rainfall has fallen over the past 2½ years. That left almost no subsoil moisture the plants need to develop after planting.

Early spring rains raised hopes the drought had ended, but then stopped abruptly in mid-May, when the heat wave began.

"It just turned out to be a year that dried out a whole lot faster than anybody expected," said Harvey Buehring, extension agent for Nueces County, where Corpus Christi is located. "To have another bad year, it's going to be tough."

The combined cotton, sorghum and corn crop for his county normally is valued at about \$60 million, but this year may not produce yields worth more than \$35 million, he said.

Former Fluvanna native has award presented in her honor

Two Texas Christian University theatre majors have received Alpha Psi Omega scholarships made possible by the Fort Worth Elks Lodge.

At the theatre honor society's closing banquet, scholarships were presented by Elks Exalted Ruler Jack Ross to Barry Doss, junior theatre major from Pollok and Debbie Pagan, junior from Garland.

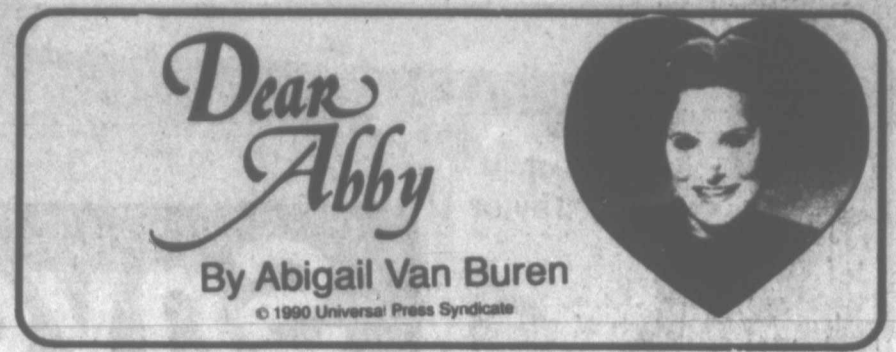
Also presented to two senior

theatre majors were the first annual Gaylan Collier Awards, given in honor of the longtime professor of theatre arts who will retire in 1991.

The awards, volumes of the complete works of Shakespeare presented by George Owens of Alexander and Alexander of Texas, went to Karen Kunkle of Seabrook, MD, formerly of Spring, and Patsy Rogers of Lincoln, NE. They were honored as students who best showed commitment to the theatre department by their service and their example to other students.

Dr. Collier joined the TCU theatre faculty in 1967 after teaching at the University of North Carolina, Greensboro College, Abilene Christian University, Idaho State University and Sam Houston State College.

A native of Fluvanna, she is a graduate of Abilene Christian University who earned the master's degree from the University of Iowa and the Ph.D. from the University of Denver.



Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR ABBY: Our father died in a nursing home last winter. He was 87 and had practiced medicine for more than 40 years.

Because of Dad's failing health and multiple complications, specific instructions had been given to the nursing home medical staff by our family and Dad's longtime physician that no extraordinary measures be taken to prolong Dad's life. Dad wanted to die with dignity. Our problem arose because the attending physician failed to put Dad's wishes in writing on his chart.

When Dad went into congestive heart failure in the nursing home, the head nurse was heard to say, "We don't want him to die here and be a statistic!" So, the rescue squad was called, and upon their arrival at the nursing home, they found Dad unresponsive, with no pulse. In spite of this, they started CPR and transported him to a local hospital where extraordinary means were employed to revive him!

One week later, we received an exorbitant hospital emergency room bill, plus bills from the emergency room's physician and the rescue squad! We contacted the nursing home medical staff, the emergency room physician and the hospital's president to establish that a mistake had been made and Dad's last wishes were not respected. The confrontation involved much grief for us, but afterward, our portion of the hospital bill was rescinded, along with the attending physician's bill for emergency treatment. The other portion of the bills were sent to Medicare by the hospital.

I am writing this to let others know that families do have rights in this painful situation. It is difficult to lose a loved one, but there's peace in knowing that the wishes of the patient and family have been re-

spected. Abby, please stress that the attending physician must indicate in writing on the patient's chart: No extraordinary measures!

If such instructions are in writing, then all costs incurred by inappropriate procedures are no longer the responsibility of the patient's family or Medicare.

KERMIT E. BROWN JR. AND DR. SANDRA R. BROWN, ASHEVILLE, N.C.

DEAR KERMIT AND DR. SANDRA BROWN: Thank you for a very illuminating letter.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to Vivian Grow of Palm Springs who suggested that women who sound like men on the telephone should give up their four-pack-a-day habit.

Abby, I am a woman who has always had a very deep speaking voice. I'm constantly mistaken for a man on the telephone and I have never smoked a cigarette in my life!

Perhaps Ms. Grow should grow up (pun intended) and give up her habit of jumping to conclusions — particularly in areas about which she knows absolutely nothing. You may sign me ...

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Ill children eligible for health services

AUSTIN (AP) — Chronically ill and disabled children may be served by the Department of Health while they wait for the Human Services Department to fix the computer glitch that's delayed their Medicaid benefits.

Sens. Chet Brooks, D-Pasadena, and Bob Glasgow, D-Stephenville, said they made arrangements with the Health Department after the Human Services Department said it would not have its computer system re-programmed until Aug. 1.

The two senators said they made inquiries on behalf of children in their districts who

became eligible for Medicaid benefits under a federal law that took effect April 1.

"Frankly, it's beyond our comprehension why it would take the department so long to get its computers adjusted," said Brooks, chairman of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

Not all of the 42,000 children expected to be eligible for Medicaid under the new law can be served by the Chronically Ill and Disabled Children program. But those with chronic and disabling conditions, such as cancer and cardiovascular diseases, can get medical attention.

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Class of 70 plans reunion

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Also: Jackie Hardin Freeman, Becky Higgins Kock, Mary Hill Thompson, Michael Heath Hodge, Thomas Herbert Hodges, Linda Hughes, Linda Kay Hulse, Evelyn Johnson Malone, Patti Kay Doyle, Sara Kennedy Pinner, Bobby King, Michael Martin, Suzanne Martin Brown, Joe Martinez, Edward Ray McClain, Mike McCormick, Jerrilyn McNaughton, Billy Ray Melot, Mary Sue Mijares, Terry Griggs Morales, Margaret Nolan Sutton, Gary Don Parks, Janie Proctor, Ann Scott Bond, Nona Ramsey Stokes, Glenda Rhone, Leslie Riggins and Glora Rios Canales.

In addition: Jesse Rios Jr., C.F. Shuler, Terry Jo Smith Butler, Brenda Stevens, Nolene Sutton, Teresa Young Ray, Sandra Welsh, James Wenetschlager, Robert White, Joe Dan Wilson and Rusty Dean Wilson.

If you have information about any of these people, contact Darlene Beard, Route 1, Box 199, 573-6151 or Calvin Goebel, 3501 Irving, 573-6938.

There will be a planning meeting July 1 at 3 p.m. at Snyder National Bank.

Tenderlion good buy, no waste

MUSHROOM-SAUCE PORK
 3/4 pound pork tenderloin
 1/2 teaspoon lemon pepper
 Non-stick spray coating
 1/3rd cup plain non-fat yogurt
 1/4 cup dry white wine
 1/4 cup water
 1 tablespoon cornstarch
 1 teaspoon instant low-sodium beef bouillon granules
 One 4-ounce can sliced mushrooms, drained
 2 tablespoons chopped green onion

Cut pork crosswise into 8 slices. Place each slice between two sheets of plastic wrap. Using the flat side of a meat mallet, pound slices to 1/4-inch thickness; sprinkle with lemon pepper.

Spray a cold large skillet with non-stick coating. Heat skillet over medium-high heat. Add pork to skillet and cook for 4 minutes. Turn pork over and cook for 2 to 4 minutes more or until no pink remains. Transfer pork to a serving platter; cover and keep warm.

For sauce: combine yogurt, wine, water, cornstarch and bouillon granules; add to skillet along with mushrooms and onion. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir for 2 minutes more. Serve sauce over pork. Makes 4 servings.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; noon.
 Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
 Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.
 Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
 Scurry Charter Chapter of ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.
 Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-9410.

FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5-year olds.
 Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.
 Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Oasis Overeaters Anonymous; 2-3 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Field; Newcomers Welcome! 573-8322 or 573-7705.
 Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
 Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101 or 573-8626.
 New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8110, 863-2348 or 573-6820.

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Jones named to position

Scurry County Library has named Linda Jones as new children's librarian. Jones took over her duties full-time earlier this month.

As children's librarian, Jones is in charge of the summer reading program now underway at the library. The program will continue through August 10 and children may still register. In addition, she will supervise the new continuing Story Time program for four and five-year-olds which is held every Friday from 10-10:30 a.m.

Before assuming her duties at the library, Jones worked at East Side Church of Christ's Joy School and has been active in Girl Scouts. She and her husband Joe Dan of Classic Paint and Body have four daughters—Tiffany, 13; Alicia, 11; Vanessa, 9; and Melissa, 6.

Jones is a graduate of Snyder High School and attended Western Texas College.

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 ♥ 10 5
 ♦ K Q 9 8 4
 ♣ K 8 5 4

WEST ♠ K Q 10 9 6
 ♥ 4
 ♦ 10 5 2
 ♣ Q 10 9 7

EAST ♠ J 7 5
 ♥ K 7 3
 ♦ A 7 6 3
 ♣ A 6 3

SOUTH ♠ 4 3 2
 ♥ A Q J 9 8 6 3
 ♦ J
 ♣ J 2

Vulnerable: Both
 Dealer: East

South West North East
 3♥ Pass 4♥ All pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

Worst possible choice

By James Jacoby

Today's deal is an illustration of defense as the hardest part of the game. Even though East held three prime cards (A-A-K), he passed in first position because of his flat distribution and poor intermediate spot cards. South pre-empted in hearts, and North raised to game. West led the king of spades, and declarer ducked in dummy — a good play. What next?

Eventually West led a trump. He reasoned that declarer held a solid trump suit. If East held A-J-x-x in diamonds, the suit would not set up for enough tricks for the declarer, provided he was prevented from enjoying a spade ruff in dummy. Declarer played low from the North hand and won the nine of hearts as East played the seven. Now came the jack of diamonds. East could no longer stop declarer from making 10 tricks. Of West's possible plays, switching to a heart was the worst.

If West continues spades, East will grab the ace of diamonds as soon as

Ted Bigham
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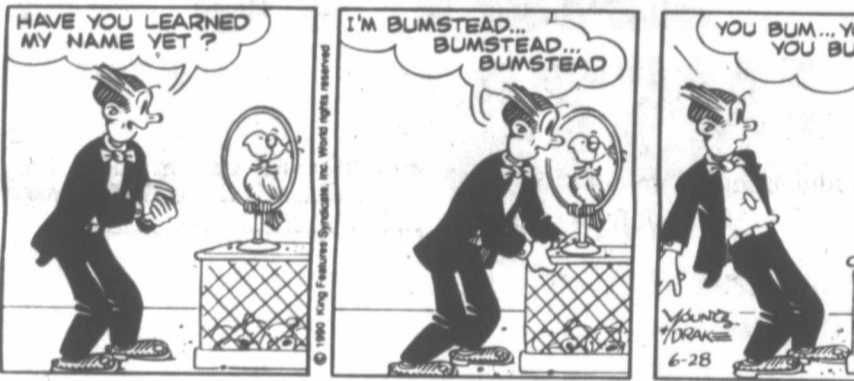
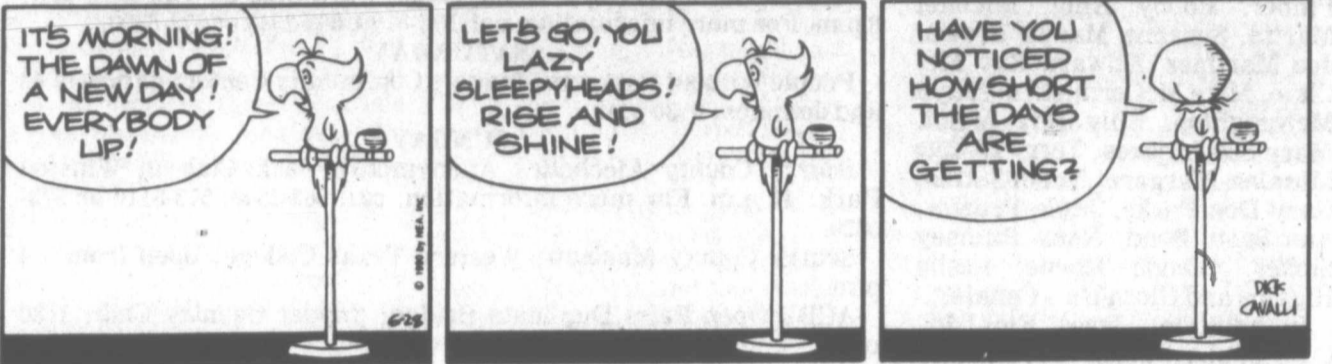
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- Secretary's error
 - Sort
 - Cry of surprise
 - Part of the eye
 - Expedient
 - Tattler
 - Pekoe, etc.
 - Conclusion
 - Navy ship pref.
 - Unrefined metal
 - Fermenting agent
 - Slanted
 - Night bird
 - Conclusive
 - Cleared nose
 - Do — others
 - Narrative
 - Elaborate poem
 - Madam's counterpart

- DOWN**
- Ballerina's skirt
 - St. Laurent
 - Farm
 - Western hemisphere org.
 - Contemplative person (sl.)
 - Cry of pain
 - Greek letter
 - Snake-like
 - Wild party
 - Tug
 - S-shaped molding
 - Amorous look
 - Kerosene, e.g.
 - Chinese philosophy
 - No more than
 - Little
 - Fidget
 - Freshwater porpoise
 - Talk back to (sl.)
 - Studier of animals
 - Fringe
 - Not alive
 - License plates
 - Last queen of Spain
 - Bushy clump
 - Wild goat
 - Bambi's mother
 - Tropical fish
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White oil case...

Texas Supreme Court overturns decision

AUSTIN (AP) — For the second time in 15 months, the Texas Supreme Court has sided with Amarillo Oil Co. over the rights to natural gas in the Panhandle Field.

He said the Supreme Court's decision would affect "hundreds of millions of dollars" in oil leases. "This case is important for anyone who owns an oil lease or gas lease in the Panhandle Field," he said.

In its Wednesday ruling, the Supreme Court reversed its March 8, 1989, ruling that also called for a new trial assessing damages for Amarillo Oil. That case differed in that the Court had not fully defined some of the issues in the case, particularly the meaning of casinghead gas and an oil stratum, Selby said.

A second well was drilled, and Energy-Agri again intended to perforate the brown dolomite formation. Amarillo Oil filed suit to prohibit Energy-Agri from producing gas from the brown dolomite formation, to obtain title to all the gas in the formation and to seek damages for gas already lost, documents indicate.

temperature extraction units, should not be considered as crude oil production, the Supreme Court said.

Justice Oscar Mauzy and Raul Gonzalez issued dissenting opinions in the case. Justice Jack Hightower did not participate.

Texans work to beat the heat

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — The scorching heat is not going to go away so Texans are having to learn to deal with it.

like 106, the National Weather Service said.

vice told customers they might expect minor delays in daily delivery because carriers would be taking more breaks to drink water and cool off.

"The asphalt is 380 degrees, plus the 100 or so degrees (temperature). It makes for pretty rough working conditions," said Danny Jones, vice president of Jones Brothers Paving Contractors in Odessa.

Reporter jailed for not turning over notes as ordered

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A television news reporter sentenced to a six-month jail term says he will not change his mind and reveal the name of a confidential source.

"We can only guess at their motives. Perhaps they are trying to discourage people from talking to reporters," Harig said.

Mandela gets cold shoulder

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — City officials shunned Nelson Mandela on his arrival overnight in Miami, where the South African activist's embrace of Cuba's Fidel Castro has driven a wedge between blacks and Cuban-Americans.

hotel early today, chanted "Free South Africa" and then "Free South Florida" and finally "Where is Suarez?" — a reference to Miami Mayor Xavier Suarez, who denounced Mandela for his support of Castro.

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would not otherwise make the trip for one or two stops.

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Prosecution and defense attorneys contend they need to know who arranged the interview to prepare their cases. Karem has said the source fears for his life if his identity is revealed.

Prosecutors want to know whether any law enforcement official was involved, or whether any promises were made or extracted for arranging the conversation.

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in stride.

"I'm not finding it alarming," said Scurry and Mitchell County Field Supervisor Mary Ward.



Two minor mishaps occur

Two minor traffic accidents, one arrest and two bulls at-large topped police activity for the 24-hour period beginning at 7 a.m. Wednesday.

At 2:07 a.m. Thursday, the department was notified that the two bulls were again running loose. Officers rounded up the bulls and put them inside the fenced area.

Obituaries

Leonard Heath
1936-1990
PHOENIX — Graveside services for Leonard Carl Heath, 54, of near Globe, Ariz., were held today at 12:30 p.m. at Veteran's National Cemetery.

Warnings from state officials prompted the Department of Agriculture, which administers WIC, to reallocate \$11 million Tuesday to states with funding shortages.

Flashing incident reported locally

The Scurry County sheriff's department Wednesday received a complaint of indecency.

Pickup fire occurs south of Snyder

A pickup fire three miles south of Snyder on U.S. 84 was answered by Snyder firemen at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday.

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By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 80 years old and have had shingles for over eight months. Sometimes the pain is more than I can stand. I've tried ointments, pain pills and blocks. Nothing seems to help. Must I live with this for the rest of my life?

DEAR READER: Shingles (herpes zoster) is a virus infection of the skin's nerves. The viruses enter the nerves and cause painful blisters, distributed in a band pattern that appears on one side of the body.

The infection begins as a tingling, unpleasant sensation. The rash breaks out a few days later and usually runs its course within two weeks. Then the blisters dry up and the skin returns to normal, except for scars that can result from severe infection.

Shingles is not a serious health problem and usually heals itself. However, about 10 percent of patients develop a dreaded complication of the infection: post-herpetic neuralgia — persisting, often excruciating, sharp pain that can last for months or years. Treatment of post-herpetic neuralgia is unsatisfactory; analgesics reduce the pain level, but no specific therapy is available.

Because no one can predict which patients with shingles will develop this complication, most doctors choose to treat the infection, early, before neuralgia becomes a problem. Thus, during treatment, doctors attempt to reduce the possibility of neuralgia.

Two drugs are used for this purpose: prednisone (purified cortisone) and acyclovir (Zovirax, an anti-viral medicine). Both are administered orally for varying periods, depending on the severity of the shingles. These medicines diminish the extent of the blistering and help protect the patient from neuralgia.

Shingles can also affect the face and the eyes. This is the most serious form of herpes zoster because, unless treated promptly and vigorously, the virus infection may lead to irreparable corneal damage and permanent visual difficulties. Patients with ocular herpes should be under the care of ophthalmologists.

I conclude from your question that you are suffering from post-herpetic neuralgia because active shingles does not last for eight months. The pain will eventually disappear, but relief may be many months away. Therefore, you are not dealing so much with shingles as with a chronic pain syndrome.

I gather that the usual treatments (medicine and nerve blocks) have failed to relieve your symptoms. Thus, you may have to consider alternative methods of pain control, such as hypnosis or TENS (transcutaneous nerve stimulation), a method by which you can be taught to administer small electric shocks to yourself to help the neuralgia. Your doctor or the specialists in a pain clinic (based in most teaching hospitals) may be able to advise you further.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Managing Chronic Pain." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Four named 'outstanding' in Snyder

Four Snyder men have been selected for inclusion in the 1989 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America."

They are Danny Engle, Rudy Garza, Donald Glen Burk and William Perry Westmoreland.

The "Outstanding Young Men of America" program seeks to recognize the achievements and abilities of men between the ages of 21 and 40. These men are being honored for their outstanding civic and professional contributions to their communities, their states as well as to their nation.

The Carib Indians, who arrived in the Caribbean after leaving South America about A.D. 1000, were formidable boatbuilders whose largest craft, fashioned from giant gommier trees, measured 30 feet and held 40 people.

Attorneys argue...

Disabled children still denied benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Because of bickering among lawyers, hundreds of thousands of disabled children have yet to get a dime from a Supreme Court decision four months ago that eased welfare benefit rules for impaired youths.

The Social Security Administration and attorneys for as many as 600,000 children are fighting over who is affected, the best way to find them and how to document their claims. They're also fighting over millions of dollars in lawyers' fees.

No one has begun trying to locate the low-income children,

who the court said may have been wrongly denied as much as \$2 billion in back Supplemental Security Income benefits.

"Frankly, in over 20 years of litigating similar cases, we cannot recall a single case in which government counsel were more obstructive or belligerent," Philadelphia attorney Jonathan M. Stein said in a June 18 letter to the Justice Department.

"It's unfortunate," Deputy SSA Commissioner Louis Enoff said in an interview Wednesday. "We wanted to make every effort to move quickly to reach every child that is potentially eligible. I still would like to do that."

Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., said he fears the government could be inadvertently destroying case files from the 1980s or 1970s necessary for children to prove they deserve benefits.

But SSA officials said system-wide computer safeguards prevented that, although they said an occasional file might be lost.

More than 290,000 poor, disabled children receive SSI benefits, which vary from state to state and range from \$386 to about \$700 a month.

By a 7-2 vote on Feb. 20, the Supreme Court voided a government regulation that gave children seeking the benefits less protection than adults. The Department of Health and Human Services rule had applied a rigid list of disorders to

children, while permitting adults to be judged individually on their ability to work.

Stein, the children's attorney in the class-action lawsuit, said the decision should force officials to re-evaluate 600,000 denials going back to 1974, when the regulation was enacted.

But the Social Security Administration says legal precedent requires that they only go back to 1983, when the case was originally filed on behalf of Brian Zebley, then 5, of Upland, Pa.

Brian, who suffers from congenital brain damage, lost his SSI benefits when an administrative law judge concluded that his medical conditions did not meet government requirements. There have been about 280,000 denials since then that now should be reviewed, according to SSA.

Both sides have indicated a willingness to compromise on how many reviews should be undertaken. The administration accuses Stein of delaying negotiations by unreasonably seeking \$6 million in legal and other fees in the case.

"Most regrettably, your compensation demands have precluded a settlement which not only would have brought an end to this longstanding litigation but, most importantly, would have been very fair and equitable to members of the 'Zebley' class," Stuart Licht of the Justice Department's Civil Division said in a June 8 letter to Stein.

Inhalant problem critical

HOUSTON (AP) — The inhalant problem among teenagers is more critical than researchers first predicted, officials at an Inhalant Abuse Research Symposium said.

Researchers said a survey conducted by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse in 1988 showed that 28 percent of seventh graders throughout the state had used inhalants at some point — about three to four times the percentage of young people who had used crack cocaine. Two-thirds of the state's users are male and under the age of 19, researchers said.

"The inhalant problem is even more critical than we had originally figured," said Bill Britcher, spokesman for the commission. "We're here to draw attention to the fact that this is not a minor problem."

Inhalants are more readily available to youngsters than other drugs, are more dangerous and become a "gateway drug" leading users to other drugs like cocaine, said Steven Silvers, spokesman for the Texas Prevention Partnership, a statewide network of public, private and nonprofit organizations created earlier this year by the Texas Commission of Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

"This is a problem of the very young — use usually peaks out at age 13," he said.

Inhalants, he added, are more debilitating and devastating than any other drug.

"It is cheap and available — there are hundreds of industrial cleaners and solvents available in any grocery store. And it's a stealth drug: The effects are short term and you can do it almost anywhere. You probably have seen kids on the street and you don't know whether they're drinking from a soda can or sniffing from it."

Area students get Tech degrees

LUBBOCK — More than 1,400 students at Texas Tech University received degrees in spring 1990 commencement exercises.

Degree recipients included: Trina Lois Caraway, master of science in chemical engineering; Philip Scott Carter of Ira, bachelor of science in wildlife management; Juliet Gwen Kimmel of Snyder, bachelor of science in education; and Teresa Anne Young of Snyder, master of education.

Daughter of local woman...

Music teacher in Abilene earns national certification

ABILENE — Cheryl T. Lemmons, daughter of Bobbie Taylor of Snyder, has been recognized as a nationally certified teacher of piano and theory by Music Teachers National Association (MTNA). Mrs. Lemmons is an independent music teacher currently working at her home studio. She is active as an accompanist for the Abilene High School Chorale and is also a member of the Abilene Music Teachers Association.

Eligibility for MTNA national certification is based on stringent criteria developed and administered by the association's National Certification Board. Renewal of the certificate every five years requires continuing self-improvement and growth in the music teaching profession.

Founded in 1876, MTNA is a nonprofit organization serving more than 25,000 music teachers who work in independent studios, private and public schools, conservatories and institutions of higher learning. National Certification is one of the principal programs through which MTNA carries out its mission of raising standards of music teaching, performance and understanding in America.

Two graduate from McMurry

ABILENE — McMurry College graduated 148 seniors in its 67th commencement in May.

Among the degree recipients were, Virgil Arthur Feinsod, bachelor of arts in religion, and Dawnel Wells Kelly, bachelor of business arts in accounting.

Lisa Gillespie on Honor Roll

Lisa Gillespie, daughter of Ruben Gillespie of Snyder, has been named to the honor roll at Hardin-Simmons University for the spring 1990 semester.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) Proper timing is extremely essential today. If you try to bring critical matters to a head prematurely, your efforts could count for very little. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be aware of your limitations today and don't attempt to do more than you can comfortably manage. Projects that overlap could be accidents waiting to happen.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't blame others if you incur some form of financial loss today. If things go wrong, it's likely to be your doing rather than theirs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In order to fulfill your ambitious aims today, there is a possibility you might not be as considerate of others as you should be. Insensitivity could create strong feelings of ill will.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) This is one of those days when you could create avoidable complications for yourself by acting first and thinking later. Put the greater emphasis on the latter.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Someone you like, but know from experience is a poor credit risk might try to put the bite on you today. Don't loan anything you can't afford to lose.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Objectives that are meaningful to you today could be just the opposite for persons with whom you'll be involved. Trying to gain their support could be a Herculean task.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Usually you maintain a rather optimistic outlook, but today your projections might be negative. This could severely reduce your effectiveness and productivity.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If two friends of yours have a disagreement today, be extremely careful you don't get caught in the middle. Regardless of with whom you side, you'll be wrong.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Brace yourself for some possible turbulence in your one-to-one relationships today. Individuals who are not usually antagonistic may be so at this time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you ignore proper methods and procedures in your haste to get things done today, the results could be displeasing. Take the necessary time to do it right.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It's best not to leave matters that directly relate to your finances up to Lady Luck or chance today. She could be extremely fickle where you are concerned.

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Area students on honor rolls

LUBBOCK — More than 2,000 Texas Tech University students qualified for the academic honors lists at the end of the 1990 spring semester.

Students on the President's Honor List earned a perfect 4.0 (A) grade-point-average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a GPA of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's Honor List.

Students making the rolls from the Snyder area include the following.

—Dean's List: Rodney Glenn Foster, Laura Melissa Williams, and John Zalman IV, all of Hermleigh; Philip Scott Carter of Ira; Kevin Dean Loranc of Roscoe; and Jeffrey Wayne Franklin, Carl Allen Hodges, and Leslie Jann Light, all of Snyder.

—President's List: Holly Diane Fuller of Ira; Andres Chavira-Hernandez of Roscoe; and Ginger Leigh Bryan of Snyder.

In 1971, the Supreme Court upheld the use of busing to achieve racial desegregation in schools.

Study says genes can block diabetes

DALLAS (AP) — An inexpensive genetic test can help tell whether brothers and sisters of a diabetic child will develop the disease, according to a new study.

"If you inherit (the gene), you basically are never going to get

the disease," said Dr. J. Donald Capra, who led the study at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

The gene, technically known as DQw1.2, even cancels out the effects of other genes which put a

child at risk of developing Type I, or insulin-dependent, diabetes, Capra said. The test also indicates presence of the second gene, DQw8, he said Wednesday.

The presence of DQw8 does not mean a child will develop diabetes, Capra said. "You've

simply inherited the susceptibility. It's not a sword of Damocles," he said.

Capra said the conclusion that DQw1.2 overrides DQw8 contradicts findings in earlier studies which said the presence of DQw8 automatically indicated susceptibility to the disease.

About one-fourth of the nation's 12 million diabetics have Type I diabetes, which usually shows up in children and requires daily insulin shots to control; Type II, or adult onset, frequently can be controlled with diet and exercise.

Diabetes is an immune system disease, caused when the body's defense system attacks and kills cells that produce insulin, which the body uses to process sugar. Without the insulin, sugar builds up in the body, damaging organs. Untreated, the disease can be fatal.

"The first thing is that (the study) is very important within families," Capra said. "The kind of analysis that we've done has tremendous power within a family to identify those at risk and those not at risk" of developing the disease.

Capra said the findings mean the development of Type I diabetes can be predicted five times more accurately and that the population can be divided into three groups.

"For the first group (those with DQw1.2), we can say with almost certainty that they never will get the disease," he said. Another third have a 5 to 10 percent greater chance of developing the disease because they have inherited DQw8, he said. A final third is neither protected nor susceptible.

Capra said the findings also can help identify children at high risk of diabetes. They then can be monitored, and scientists can narrow the focus on their search for what causes diabetes to develop.

In most cases, diabetes is not discovered until two or three years after the process begins that kills the insulin-producing cells. By then, it's too late to determine the trigger, commonly believed to be a virus.

"It's like a murder case in which the death occurred three years earlier," he said. "We hope to be able to move the clock back two or three years."

While scientists believe they are on the road to discovering a diabetes vaccine, Capra's study could help discover a way to slow the process of the disease once it is triggered, experts said.

Scientists already know they can slow diabetes by using the drug cyclosporine, Capra said, but the side effects, including kidney damage, are considered to be severe to be practical.

Capra and others at the Dallas medical school studied 266 Type I diabetics and 203 non-diabetic siblings contained in a registry compiled by the school. The results are published in Thursday's edition of the New England Journal of Medicine.

Will dance in U.S.

NEW YORK (AP) — Mikhail Baryshnikov will dance in the United States for the first time this year during a fall tour of 18 cities from Miami to Minneapolis.

The tour, announced Wednesday, will be called the White Oak Dance Project. Dances, including two new ones, will be by choreographer Mark Morris.

The troupe will perform in Boston; Minneapolis; Madison, Wis.; Toledo, Columbus, Youngstown and Dayton, Ohio; Charleston, S.C.; Savannah, Ga.; Miami; Jacksonville, Daytona Beach, and Tampa, Fla.; Detroit; East Lansing, Mich.; Louisville, Ky., and two cities to be announced.

Officer killed during traffic stop

HOUSTON (AP) — Citizens who witnessed a Houston police officer being shot used the officer's radio to call for help as others ignored gunfire to chase down and corner the alleged gunman, police said.

Motorcycle Officer Jim Irby, an 18-year police veteran, was killed by a shot to the head while making a routine traffic stop Wednesday evening. The shooting occurred about 8 p.m. on a busy six-lane intersection half a block from Northline Shopping Mall near Interstate 45.

"He was making a routine traffic stop. ... He paid with his life," police spokesman Dan Turner said.

Irby, 37, had stopped a car and was talking to the driver when the passenger got out, pulled a

revolver and shot the officer once in the head, Turner said.

The officer never got his gun out of the holster, he said.

The gunman then opened fire indiscriminately as he ran from the scene, striking an unidentified woman in a passing car in the right arm. A companion was cut in the face by flying glass. Both were listed in very stable condition at Ben Taub Hospital.

One witness used the mortally wounded police officer's motorcycle radio to plead for help.

"A police officer's down! A police officer's down!" the witness yelled over the police radio, moments after the shooting occurred.

Several other witnesses chased the suspect to the Pony Express Courier Corp. of Texas warehouse about a block from

the shooting scene.

The citizens, ignoring fire from the gunman, kept track of him until police arrived and arrested the man.

An off-duty police officer working an extra job at a Fiesta grocery store across the street from the shooting apprehended the driver of the car in which the gunman had been.

Police arrested two men in their 40s and recovered a large-caliber revolver at the shooting scene, Turner said.

Police were interviewing 13 witnesses at police headquarters and planned to hold an identification lineup.

A Life Flight helicopter could not find the shooting scene, so Irby was taken by ambulance to the hospital with about 10 police escorts. He was pronounced dead at 8:32 p.m.

Police Chief Elizabeth Watson arrived at the hospital a little more than 15 minutes after the officer was brought in. She was later joined by several members of HPD's command staff.

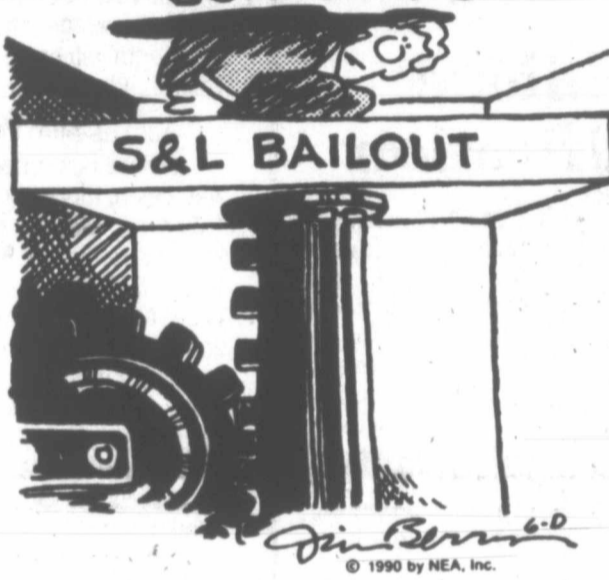
Irby was assigned to the motorcycle division for about 10 years. He would have been eligible for retirement in 2 years and 8 months.

He was married with a 3-year-old son and a 1-year-old daughter. The family lives in Porter, Assistant Chief Tom Koby said at the hospital.

Irby was the first Houston officer slain in the line of duty this year.

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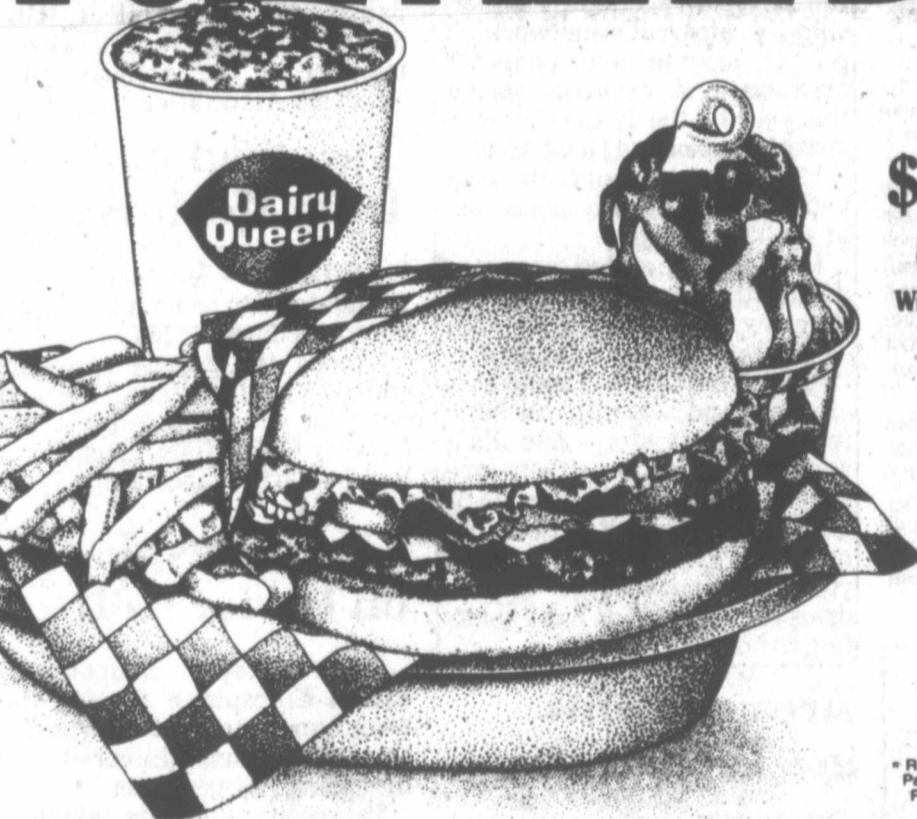
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